

Dear Sirs:

I was appalled to hear that Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

If the FCC allows Sinclair to air this propaganda then we must all assume that the FCC is not working for the people rather it works for the highest bidder. If you thought Howard Stern was indecent then how do you explain this abuse of OUR airwaves with this indecent propaganda. Remember the FCC is supposed to work for the people not special interest. If Sinclair wants to air their propaganda they can take it to the Movie Theaters like Michael Moore's Fahrenheit 9/11 and then people can pay to watch it.

Thank you.